GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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NITHARI CASE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of CBI investigation into kidnapping, rape and murder of children in the Nithari village in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the number of children and women murdered in the said incident;

(c) the number of children and women identified so far;

(d) the number of suffering families provided financial assistance;

(e) whether the Government has received any report from National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details of recommendations of NHRC and action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

(a): As informed by the Central of Bureau of Investigation (CBI), a total of 19 cases pertaining to the Nithari incident have been registered. Till date charge sheets have been filed in 11 cases in the court of SJM (CBI cases) Gaziabad. Remaining 8 cases are under investigation.

(b): CBI has registered 19 cases pertaining to the murder of 18 children/women.

(c): As per CBI report, the identity of 8 children/women has been conclusively established by DNA tests whereas identify of 3 victims was established through identification of clothes and other belongings by the parents and relative of the deceased, confession of the accused recorded under section 164 Cr. P.C. and other circumstantial evidence. Identity of remaining victims is being ascertained through skull superimposition test being carried out at CFSL Chandigarh.

(d): As per information available with the Central Government, Government of Uttar Pradesh has provided financial assistance to families of 17 victims.

(e) & (f): Yes, Sir. In view of the investigation already in progress in the cases of missing children in the Nithari village, the Commission in its proceedings dated 2nd July, 2007, closed all the cases pending with the Commission in this regard. However, considering these incidents of missing children as symptomatic, the matter was upgraded and recommendations were issued to contain the problem of missing children in the country.

The recommendations of NHRC have been received very recently. Appropriate action on the recommendations will be taken by way of follow up with the State Governments and other measures in consultation with the Ministries concerned.